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SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE WORLD SOCIAL SITUATION AND TO YOUTH, AGEING, DISABLED PERSONS AND THE FAMILY

Argentina, Austria, Cameroon, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Malta, Mongolia, Morocco, Nicaragua, Trinidad and Tobago: draft resolution

Implementation of the International Plan of Action on Ageing: integration of older persons in development

The General Assembly,

Mindful of the challenges the ageing of populations poses to all countries,

Noting with appreciation the activities of the global information campaign for the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the International Plan of Action on Ageing and the many observances of the International Day for the Elderly,

Noting with satisfaction the active participation of Member States, specialized agencies and bodies of the United Nations, non-governmental organizations, older persons and experts in developing a practical strategy on ageing in the form of a set of targets on ageing for the year 2001,

Welcoming the convening of the XV International Congress of Gerontology in Budapest, Hungary, in June 1993,

Welcoming with appreciation the participation of older persons in development programmes and projects,

Aware of the plight of older persons, particularly those in developing countries as well as those in difficult circumstances,

Aware also of the heavy obligations on families that provide care to older persons and the need for comprehensive community care programmes,

Aware further of the increasing concern of development agencies for securing the human and financial resources needed for adjusting policies and programmes to population ageing,

1. Notes with appreciation the reports of the Secretary-General on the global targets on ageing for the year 2001 1/ and the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the International Plan of Action on Ageing; 2/

2. Adopts the global targets on ageing for the year 2001 as a practical strategy on ageing, and urges Member States to support the strategy and to consult the guide for setting national targets contained therein;

3. Invites the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs, as the lead and coordinating agency for the global targets, to update the strategies periodically on the basis of achievements and new opportunities and to refine indicators for measuring progress in cooperation with the International Institute on Ageing in Malta and others;

4. Invites the regional commissions of the United Nations to assist Member States in their regions in setting regional targets on ageing for the year 2001, bearing in mind the global targets and the diverse national needs in their regions;

5. Invites the specialized agencies and bodies of the United Nations to examine technical, organizational and financial means of strengthening the inter-agency consultative process, including the biennial meetings on ageing and to suggest measures for the consideration of the Administrative Committee on Coordination;

6. Calls upon the Secretary-General to give all possible support, in the form of both regular and extrabudgetary resources, to the Ageing Unit of the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs, to enable it to fulfil its mandate as lead agency for the action programme on ageing;

7. Welcomes the support of the United Nations Population Fund, the Government of Sweden and two non-governmental organizations for the research of the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs on developmental

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1/ A/47/339.

2/ A/47/369.

implications of demographic change: global population ageing, and invites continuing support for this project as the basis of a global research component at the Centre;

8. Invites Member States to second national experts and Junior Professional Officers to the Ageing Unit of the Centre to support selected target strategies;

9. Requests the Commission for Social Development to convene an ad hoc informal working group at its thirty-third session for the third review and appraisal exercise of the International Plan of Action on Ageing and for proposing measures in support of setting national targets on ageing in the decade ahead;

10. Invites interested Member States and organizations to support the Centre in establishing and maintaining a data bank on ageing policies and programmes so that the data gathered in the quadrennial reviews can be systematized and made available to Member States and others on a continuing basis;

11. Acknowledges with appreciation the major contribution of the Department of Public Information to the global information campaign, and requests it to continue its work on ageing during the coming decade;

12. Also acknowledges with appreciation the initiative, expertise and dedication of the non-governmental community, and invites the Centre to explore the feasibility of establishing a non-governmental advisory committee, funded by voluntary contributions, to assist the Secretariat in promoting the United Nations Principles for Older Persons 3/ and in implementing the Plan of Action and the target strategies;

13. Commends the International Institute on Ageing on its training programme and related activities, and invites national, regional and international organizations to cooperate closely with the Institute;

14. Urges the United Nations, Member States and non-governmental organizations to support the African Society of Gerontology in developing and implementing a regional programme of activities on ageing;

15. Invites interested Member States and others to explore the feasibility of establishing a training institute on ageing for Latin America and the Caribbean;

16. Also invites Member States generously to support the United Nations Trust Fund for Ageing in order to enable it to continue serving as an operational tool of the United Nations programme on ageing;

3/ Resolution 46/91, annex.

17. Invites Member States, corporations and foundations to support the Banyan Fund: A World Fund for Ageing;

18. Urges the United Nations Development Programme and other development agencies to include a component on ageing in their regular programmes;

19. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the implementation of the present resolution under the item entitled "Social development".

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SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Austria, Bahamas, Belarus, Colombia, Cyprus, France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Krygyzstan, Mongolia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkey and Turkmenistan: draft resolution

International cooperation in combating organized crime

The General Assembly,

Alarmed by the rapid growth and geographical extension of organized crime in its various forms, both nationally and internationally, undermining the development process, impairing the quality of life and threatening human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Acknowledging the need for global efforts commensurate with the magnitude of national and transnational crime,

Recalling the responsibility assumed by the United Nations in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice,

Recalling also that the Eighth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, held at Havana from 27 August to 7 September 1990, adopted resolutions entitled "Organized crime" and "Prevention and control of organized crime", 1/

1/ See A/CONF.144/28, chap. I, sect. C.

Recalling further its resolutions 44/71 and 44/72 of 8 December 1989, 45/121 and 45/123 of 14 December 1990, 46/152 of 18 December 1991 and S-17/2 of 23 February 1990 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/70 of 24 May 1989 and 1992/23 of 30 July 1992,

Bearing in mind that the Eighth Congress explored the possibilities and ways of strengthening further international cooperation in combating organized crime and adopted the Guidelines for the prevention and control of organized crime, as well as model treaties relating to it, 2/

Welcoming with appreciation the results achieved at the Ministerial Meeting on the Creation of an Effective United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, held at Versailles, France, from 21 to 23 November 1991,

Acknowledging with appreciation the work done by the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice during its first session, held at Vienna from 21 to 30 April 1992,

Noting that the Ad Hoc Expert Group Meeting on Strategies to Deal with Transnational Crime, held at Smolenice, Czechoslovakia, from 27 to 31 May 1991, and the International Seminar on Organized Crime, held at Suzdal, Russian Federation, from 21 to 25 October 1991, formulated important recommendations in this area,

Noting also that the meeting convened by the Resource Committee on Transnational Crime of the International Scientific and Professional Advisory Council of the United Nations for the crime prevention and criminal justice programme, held at Courmayeur, Aosta Valley, Italy, from 23 to 28 March 1992, resulted in a proposed outline for an international conference on money laundering and control,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/24 of 30 July 1992 containing a recommendation to include in the provisional agenda of the Ninth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders the topic "Action against national and transnational economic, organized and environmental crime: national experiences and international cooperation",

Reaffirming that priority must be given to the struggle against all activities of organized crime, including illicit arms trade and traffic in narcotic drugs, cultural property theft, money laundering, the infiltration of legitimate business and the corruption of public officials,

Emphasizing the role of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme in that respect,

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2/ Ibid., chap. IV, sect. C.1.

1. Urges Member States to give favourable consideration to the implementation of the Guidelines for the prevention and control of organized crime at both national and international levels;

2. Invites Member States, in cooperation with international governmental and non-governmental organizations, to assist in increasing awareness to ensure a broad base of public participation and support for action against organized crime;

3. Also invites Member States to make available to the Secretary-General, on request, the provisions of their legislation relating to money laundering, the tracing, seizing and forfeiture of the proceeds of crime and the monitoring of large-scale cash transactions and other measures so that they may be available to Member States desiring to enact or further develop legislation in these fields;

4. Requests the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice to continue to consider ways of strengthening international cooperation in combating organized crime, taking due account of the opinions of Governments, international organizations and non-governmental organizations expressed at international forums and to submit its views, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

5. Also requests the Commission to organize the ongoing monitoring and analysing of the incidence of transnational organized criminal activity and the dissemination of that information;

6. Calls upon Member States, international organizations and interested non-governmental organizations to cooperate closely with the United Nations in organizing practice-oriented workshops, research projects and training programmes to deal with specific aspects of organized criminal activities.

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Austria, Belgium, Cameroon, Canada, China, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Finland, France, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malta, Morocco, Philippines, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Zimbabwe: draft resolution

Towards full integration of persons with disabilities in society: a continuing world programme of action

The General Assembly,

Recalling all its relevant resolutions, including resolution 37/52 of 3 December 1982, resolution 37/53 of 3 December 1982 and resolution 46/96 of 16 December 1991, and Economic and Social Council decision 1992/276 of 30 July 1992, as well as Commission on Human Rights resolution 1992/48 of 3 March 1992,

Noting the progress achieved during the Decade of Disabled Persons, including increased awareness and expanded knowledge of disability issues, the increased role played by persons with disabilities, organizations and the development of disability legislation,

Aware of the major obstacles in implementing the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons, foremost among these being manifested in an inadequate allocation of resources,

Mindful of the need for persons with disabilities to be afforded the means to take their place as full-fledged citizens in all fields of society,

Deeply concerned by the increasing numbers of persons with disabilities as a consequence of poverty and disease, wars and civil strife and demographic and environmental factors, including natural disasters and catastrophic accidents,

Acknowledging with appreciation the work of the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs, as the focal point for disability issues within the United Nations system during the Decade,

Recognizing that the ongoing process of elaborating Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for People with Disabilities represents one of the important initiatives of the Decade,

Noting the proposed action towards a long-term strategy to implement the World Programme of Action to the year 2000 and beyond resulting from the meeting of experts held in Vancouver, Canada, in June 1992,

Welcoming the initiative of the Government of Canada in convening the International Conference of Ministers Responsible for Disability Issues, held in Montreal on 8 and 9 October 1992,

Having carefully considered the various reports and statements at its special plenary sessions, held on 12 and 13 October 1992, on the observance of the conclusion of the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons,

Welcoming Economic and Social Council decision 1992/276 recommending the continuation of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for the Decade of Disabled Persons under its new name, the United Nations Voluntary Fund on Disability, and under its new terms of reference, 1/

Having taken note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on the second round of monitoring of the implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons and the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons, 2/

1. Reaffirms the continuing validity and value of the World Programe of Action concerning Disabled Persons, which provides a firm and innovative framework for disability-related issues;

2. Reiterates the responsibility of Governments in removing or facilitating the removal of barriers and obstacles to the full integration of persons with disabilities in society, and supports their efforts in developing national policies to reach specific objectives;

1/ A/47/214-E/1992/50.

2/ A/47/415 and Corr.1.

3. Urges Governments to show their commitment to improving the situation of persons with disabilities, inter alia, by:

(a) Establishing an appropriate governmental mechanism to be responsible for policy relating to persons with disabilities and overall coordination;

(b) Addressing disability issues within integrated social development policies linked to other socio-economic issues, with the ultimate objective of facilitating the full integration of persons with disabilities into society;

(c) Where appropriate, creating new or strengthening existing high-level national coordinating committees or other similar bodies in accordance with the Beijing Guidelines for the Establishment and Development of National Coordinating Committees on Disability or Similar Bodies; 3/

(d) Supporting the development of organizations of people with disabilities and using the body of knowledge accumulated by people with disabilities or their representatives in decision-making processes;

(e) Integrating, where possible, disability components in technical assistance and technical cooperation programmes;

4. Welcomes the proclamation by the Economic and Social Council of the Asia and Pacific Decade of Disabled Persons, 1993-2002;

5. Also welcomes the proposal for and a continued discussion towards the establishment of a Ministers' Working Group as a result of the Ministerial Conference in Montreal;

6. Further welcomes the initiative of the United States of America to host, in cooperation with the United Nations, an international conference on disability in the fall of 1993;

7. Urges the optimum use of existing United Nations mechanisms and bodies, including regional commissions, specialized agencies, other intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations, especially organizations of people with disabilities, in the planning, coordination, implementation and monitoring of the United Nations disability programme, in line with the restructuring and streamlining efforts of the United Nations system and in order to make the most cost-effective use of resources;

8. Requests the Secretary-General to turn the focus of the United Nations programme on disability from awareness-raising to action, to give higher priority and visibility to disability issues within the work programme of the United Nations system, to provide it, through the use of existing resources, with an adequate allocation of funding to strengthen the leadership

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3/ A/C.3/46/4, annex I.

role of the United Nations as a catalyst for change, as a standard-setting Organization, as a forum for the exchange of views and as a promoter of technical cooperation activities, by:

(a) Integrating disability issues in policies, programmes and projects of the specialized agencies of the United Nations on a broader scale and with a higher priority;

(b) Concentrating action and assistance in countries and regions that are most needy and paying special attention to especially vulnerable groups;

(c) Considering the creation of a panel of eminent persons, including persons with disabilities, to advise the Secretary-General on disability matters;

(d) Initiating model pilot projects, in partnership with all interested parties, to assist Member States in formulating comprehensive and coherent disability policies and feasible action plans; taking into account diverse socio-cultural factors and varying levels of economic development;

(e) Finalizing the translation into the official languages of the United Nations of the World Programme of Action, in particular the terms "impairment", "disability", "handicap" and "disabled persons";

(f) Reviewing of the Human Development Index of the United Nations Development Programme to include an evaluation of the way a society treats its disabled citizens as a factor of the quality of life in that society;

(g) Continuing United Nations inter-agency meetings established as a result of the Decade of Disabled Persons and focusing such meetings on the implementation of the World Programme of Action;

(h) Asking the United Nations Statistical Division to continue its important work of collecting statistical data about disability matters and to publish updated disability statistics;

9. Urges the Commission on Social Development to expedite the elaboration of the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for People with Disabilities;

10. Encourages major forthcoming events, including the 1993 World Conference on Human Rights, the 1994 Conference on Population and Development, the 1994 International Year of the Family, the 1995 World Conference on Women and the 1995 World Summit on Social Development, to consider disability issues relevant to their subject-matter;

11. Encourages the Secretary-General to explore diversified funding arrangements to support and strengthen the Voluntary Fund on Disability, involving not only Member States, but also the private sector, with due regard to the need for greater transparency in the management of the Fund;

12. Appeals to Member States to highlight the observance of the International Day of Disabled Persons on 3 December every year with a view to furthering the integration into society of persons with disabilities;

13. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the implementation of the present resolution under the item entitled "Social development".

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Mauritania*: draft resolution

United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 46/153 of 18 December 1991,

Recognizing that criminality is a major concern of all nations and that it calls for a concerted response from the international community aimed at preventing crime, improving the functioning of the criminal justice system and law enforcement, and increasing respect for individual rights,

Conscious of the vital role of regional cooperation in the fight against crime and of the potential contribution of interregional and regional institutes in the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders,

Recognizing the efforts made so far by the United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders in fulfilling its mandate through, inter alia, the organization of training programmes and regional seminars,

Aware of the financial difficulties that the Institute continues to face as a result of the fact that many States of the African region are in the category of least developed countries and therefore lack the necessary resources with which to support the Institute,

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States.

Recognizing the urgent need to promote and intensify international cooperation in crime prevention and criminal justice and the fact that this cooperation can be effective only if it is executed with the direct participation of the receiving States, with due respect for their needs and priorities,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders; 1/

2. Expresses its appreciation to those Governments and intergovernmental organizations that have supported the Institute in the discharge of its responsibilities;

3. Calls upon Governments and intergovernmental as well as non-governmental organizations to intensify financial and other support to the Institute, in order to enable it to fulfil its objectives, particularly in the fields of training technical assistance, policy guidance, research and data collection;

4. Reiterates its request to the Secretary-General to ensure that sufficient resources are provided to the Institute, within the overall appropriations of the programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 in support of the Institute, to enable it to carry out, in full and on time, all its mandates;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session.

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SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE WORLD SOCIAL SITUATION AND TO YOUTH, AGEING, DISABLED PERSONS AND THE FAMILY

Benin, Cameroon, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Malawi, Mongolia, Morocco, Nepal, Nicaragua, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Togo, United States of America and Viet Nam: draft resolution

The role of cooperatives in the light of new economic and social trends

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 44/58 of 8 December 1989, in particular paragraph 4 thereof, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/25 of 30 July 1992,

Welcoming the report of the Secretary-General on the status and role of cooperatives in the light of new economic and social trends, 1/

Recognizing the importance of the policy-oriented research being undertaken by the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat concerning the relevance of cooperatives to the achievement of the social policy objectives set forth in the Guiding Principles for Developmental Social Welfare Policies and Programmes in the Near Future, 2/ in the execution of which it acts as a focal point within the United Nations system,

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1/ A/47/216-E/1992/43.

2/ E/CONF.80/10, chap. III.

Bearing in mind that 1995 will mark the centenary of the establishment of the International Cooperative Alliance,

Taking note with satisfaction of the important recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General directed towards ensuring the best possible means of dealing with the issue of cooperatives in the light of their broad significance in contributing to the solution of major economic and social problems,

Welcoming the recommendation contained in paragraph 4 (a) of the report of the Secretary-General, and bearing in mind the substantial support shown by Governments and by the international cooperative movement for the idea of observing an international day of cooperatives,

Expressing its appreciation to government agencies, national organizations representing cooperatives, the specialized agencies and other organizations, especially the Committee for the Promotion and Advancement of Cooperatives, for their valuable contribution,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on the status and role of cooperatives in the light of new economic and social trends;

2. Proclaims the first Saturday of July 1995 to be International Day of Cooperatives, marking the centenary of the International Cooperative Alliance, and decides to consider the possibility of observing an international day of cooperatives in future years;

3. Encourages Governments to consider fully the potential of cooperatives for contributing to the solution of economic, social and environmental problems in formulating national development strategies;

4. Encourages the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat to redouble its efforts of support and coordination in order to achieve the social policy objectives set forth in the Guiding Principles for Developmental Social Welfare Policies and Programmes in the Near Future;

5. Invites government agencies, national organizations representing cooperatives, the specialized agencies and other organizations, especially the Committee for the Promotion and Advancement of Cooperatives, to maintain and increase their programmes of support to the international cooperative movement, within existing resources;

6. Also invites, as the Economic and Social Council has already done in its resolution 1668 (LII) of 1 June 1972, the specialized agencies that have a substantial interest in cooperatives, especially the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, as well as other organizations, particularly the World Bank, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and other relevant international organizations of cooperatives that are not yet members

of the Committee for the Promotion and Advancement of Cooperatives, to become members at an early date in order to ensure its effectiveness by their contribution of appropriate resources;

7. Requests the Secretary-General, within existing resources, to maintain and increase the support provided by the United Nations to the programmes and objectives of the international cooperative movement, and to submit a report to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session on the status and role of cooperatives in the light of new economic and social trends, indicating in his report the progress made towards that goal.

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HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS: HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS, INCLUDING ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES FOR IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVE ENJOYMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS

Albania, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Samoa, San Marino, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Vanuatu, Venezuela and Zaire: draft resolution

World Conference on Human Rights

The General Assembly,

Mindful of the goal of the United Nations to promote and encourage respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction

as to race, sex, language or religion, as set out in the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1/

Recognizing that all human rights and fundamental freedoms are indivisible and interrelated and that the promotion and protection of one category of rights should never exempt or excuse States from the promotion and protection of another,

Recalling its resolutions 45/155 of 18 December 1990, in which it decided, inter alia, to convene at a high level a World Conference on Human Rights in 1993, and 46/116 of 17 December 1991,

Taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1991/30 of 5 March 1991, 2/

Convinced that the holding of a world conference on human rights could make a significant contribution to the effectiveness of the actions of the United Nations in the promotion and protection of human rights,

Recognizing the urgency of adopting a draft agenda for the World Conference on Human Rights before the final session of the Preparatory Committee,

1. Takes note of the reports of the Preparatory Committee for the World Conference on Human Rights, on its second and third sessions; 3/

2. Approves the draft rules of procedure for the World Conference on Human Rights, as recommended by the Preparatory Committee at its second and third sessions;

3. Decides that the distribution of the 29 Vice-Presidents of the World Conference on Human Rights should be in accordance with the established criteria of the General Assembly, based on equitable geographical distribution;

4. Also approves the recommendation of the Preparatory Committee at its third session regarding the participation of non-governmental organizations in regional meetings related to the preparatory process;

5. Further approves the provisional agenda for the World Conference on Human Rights, as annexed to the present resolution;

1/ Resolution 217 A (III).

2/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1991, Supplement No. 2 (E/1991/22), chap. II, sect. A.

3/ To be issued as A/47/24.

6. Decides, in accordance with the decisions adopted by the Preparatory Committee:

(a) (i) That the Preparatory Committee shall meet for its fourth session, at Geneva, for a period of two weeks in April 1993;

(ii) That the question of the final outcome of the World Conference shall be taken up by the Preparatory Committee at its fourth session, taking into consideration, inter alia, the preparatory work and conclusions of the regional meetings taking place at Tunis, San José and Bangkok;

(iii) That the Secretary-General shall give the Conference and the preparatory process thereto the widest possible publicity and ensure full coordination of public information activities in the area of human rights within the United Nations system;

(b) To renew its invitation for contributions of extrabudgetary resources to meet the costs of participation of representatives of the least developed countries in the preparatory meetings, including regional meetings, and in the World Conference itself, and to request the Secretary-General to intensify his efforts in this regard;

7. Renews its request to Governments, the specialized agencies, other international organizations, regional organizations and non-governmental organizations concerned with human rights and/or development to participate actively in the preparatory process and in the World Conference itself;

8. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the outcome of the World Conference on Human Rights, under the agenda item entitled "Human rights questions".

Annex

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Item 1 - Opening of the Conference.

Item 2 - Election of the President.

Item 3 - Adoption of the rules of procedure.

Item 4 - Election of other officers of the Conference.

Item 5 - Appointment of the Credentials Committee.

Item 6 - Establishment of Committees and Working Groups.

Item 7 - Adoption of the agenda.

Item 8 - Commemoration of the International Year of the World's Indigenous People.

Item 9 - General debate on the progress made in the field of human rights since the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and on the identification of obstacles to further progress in this area, and ways in which they can be overcome.

Item 10 - Consideration of the relationship between development, democracy and the universal enjoyment of all human rights, keeping in view the interrelationship and indivisibility of economic, social, cultural, civil and political rights.

Item 11 - Consideration of contemporary trends in and new challenges to the full realization of all human rights of women and men, including those of persons belonging to vulnerable groups.

Item 12 - Recommendations for:

(a) Strengthening international cooperation in the field of human rights;

(b) Ensuring the universality, objectivity and non-selectivity of the consideration of human rights issues;

(c) Enhancing the effectiveness of United Nations activities and mechanisms;

(d) Securing the necessary financial and other resources for United Nations activities in the area of human rights.

Item 13 - Adoption of the final documents and report of the Conference.

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SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Austria, Costa Rica, France, Guatemala, Honduras, Italy, Morocco, Netherlands and Russian Federation: draft resolution

Crime prevention and criminal justice

The General Assembly,

Alarmed by the high costs of crime, particularly in its new and transnational forms, and by the dangers posed to individual and collective security and to the welfare of countries and peoples by the rising incidence of crime,

Emphasizing the need for global efforts commensurate with the magnitude of national and transnational crime, and for strengthened regional and international cooperation to combat crime in all its forms and to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of criminal justice systems,

Bearing in mind the goals of the United Nations in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice, specifically the reduction of criminality, more efficient and effective law enforcement and administration of justice, respect for human rights and the promotion of the highest standards of fairness, humanity and professional conduct,

Recognizing that many States suffer from extreme shortages of human and financial resources, impeding them from responding adequately to problems related to crime,

Noting with appreciation the efforts made by many States at the bilateral level to provide assistance and know-how in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice,

Bearing in mind that effective international action in crime prevention and criminal justice requires effective cooperation and improved coordination of all related activities carried out at the bilateral and multilateral levels,

Recalling its previous resolutions by which it expressed its concern over the increasing needs of Member States and the capacity of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme to meet them,

Recalling also the recommendations of the Ministerial Meeting, held at Versailles in November 1991, and adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 46/152 of 18 December 1991 on the creation of an effective United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme, including the Statement of Principles and Programme of Action contained in the annex thereto,

Recalling further Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/1 of 6 February 1992, by which the Council decided to establish the intergovernmental Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice,

Mindful of the responsibilities of the Commission, recommended by the Ministerial Meeting and entrusted to it by the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing the need for an appropriate Secretariat support structure, capable of performing the new functions mandated by the General Assembly in its resolution 46/152, as well as by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1992/22 of 30 July 1992,

Concerned about the disparity between the scope of the required work and the limited resources available, including for practical measures, to assist Member States, upon their request, in dealing with their most urgent needs in preventing and combating crime problems,

1. Welcomes the establishment of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and the results of its first session;

2. Welcomes with appreciation Economic and Social Council resolutions 1992/22, 1992/23 and 1992/24 of 30 July 1992;

3. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 46/152, 1/ the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders 2/ and the report of the Secretary-General on measures to combat organized crime; 3/

1/ A/47/399 and Corr.1.

2/ A/47/379.

3/ A/47/381.

4. Recognizes that the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme has a special contribution to make in a world seeking to surmount serious problems of violence and crime;

5. Reaffirms that equal and just progress is founded on the development of human and material resources supported by the rule of law and respect for human rights, in accordance with standards adopted by the United Nations;

6. Recalls the priority themes established by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1992/22, in order to guide the work of the Commission in the development of a detailed programme and the budget allocations for the period 1992-1996, as follows:

(a) National and transnational crime, organized crime, economic crime, including money laundering, and the role of criminal law in the protection of the environment;

(b) Crime prevention in urban areas, juvenile and violent criminality;

(c) Efficiency, fairness and improvement in the management and administration of criminal justice and related systems, with due emphasis on the strengthening of national capacities in developing countries for the regular collection, collation, analysis and utilization of data in the development and implementation of appropriate policies;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to support the operational activities and advisory services of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme, within existing resources from the regular budget of the Organization commensurate to its high priority and importance, and independently of resources available through voluntary contributions;

8. Also requests the Secretary-General to provide from existing resources adequate funds in order to build and maintain the institutional capacity of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme to respond to requests of Member States for assistance in this field;

9. Further requests the Secretary-General, as a matter of urgency, to take all measures necessary to effect the upgrading of the Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Branch of the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat into a division as recommended by the General Assembly in its resolution 46/152;

10. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures for assisting the Commission in performing its functions as the principal policy-making body in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice, and for ensuring the proper coordination of all relevant activities in the field, in particular with the Commission on Human Rights and the Commission on Narcotic Drugs;

11. Invites the relevant funding agencies of the United Nations to consider including crime prevention and criminal justice activities in their funding programmes, bearing in mind their established priorities, at a level of priority commensurate to the increasing needs of Member States in the field, and to cooperate closely with the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme in planning and implementing these activities;

12. Invites Governments to lend their full support to the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme and to increase their financial contributions to the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Fund.

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2/ A/47/379.

3/ A/47/381.

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HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS: HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS, INCLUDING ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES FOR IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVE ENJOYMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

Report of the Secretary-General concerning a request to the United Nations to observe the referendum process in Eritrea

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General 1/ concerning a request to the United Nations to observe the referendum process in Eritrea,

Taking into account that the parties directly concerned have requested the involvement of the United Nations to verify the referendum in Eritrea, 2/

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General 1/ and of the recommendations contained therein for the establishment of a United Nations observer mission to verify the referendum scheduled to take place in Eritrea in April 1993;

2. Decides to authorize the Secretary-General to establish a United Nations observer mission, which will have terms of reference as provided for in paragraph 7 of the report and to appoint, as a matter of urgency, a Special Representative for the referendum in Eritrea who will head the observer mission;

1/ A/47/544.

2/ A/47/C.3/4715.

3. Requests the Secretary-General to arrange, as soon as possible, for the deployment of a United Nations observer mission in Eritrea in order to commence its verification functions;

4. Calls on the Referendum Commission of Eritrea and all concerned parties to extend their fullest cooperation to the United Nations observer mission in order to facilitate the accomplishment of its task;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Grenada, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Malawi, Mali, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Senegal, Singapore, Sweden, Thailand, Togo, Turkey, Ukraine, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela and Zimbabwe: draft resolution

Improvement of the status of women in the secretariat

The General Assembly,

Recalling Articles 1 and 101 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling also Article 8 of the Charter, which provides that the United Nations shall place no restrictions on the eligibility of men and women to participate in any capacity and under conditions of equality in its principal and subsidiary organs,

Recalling further the relevant paragraphs of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, 1/ especially paragraphs 79, 315, 356 and 358,

Recalling its resolution 2715 (XXV) of 15 December 1970, in which it first addressed the question of the employment of women in the Professional category, and all relevant resolutions that have continued to focus on this area since then,

Noting with concern that the goal of a 30 per cent participation rate of women in posts subject to geographical distribution by the end of 1990 has not been achieved,

Recalling the goals set in its resolutions 45/125 of 14 December 1990, 45/239 C of 21 December 1990 and 46/100 of 16 December 1991 of a 35 per cent overall participation rate of women in posts subject to geographical distribution by 1995,

Recalling also the goal set in resolution 45/239 C of a 25 per cent participation rate of women in posts at the D-1 level and above by 1995,

Deeply concerned that there are now no women at the under-secretary-general level and only one at the assistant secretary-general level in the Secretariat,

Bearing in mind that a visible commitment by the Secretary-General, especially during the continuing restructuring phase, is essential to the achievement of the targets set by the General Assembly,

Welcoming the evaluation and analysis of the main obstacles to the improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat as contained in the Secretary-General's report, 2/

Welcoming also the Secretary-General's action programme aimed at removing obstacles to the improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat as contained in the above report,

1. Urges the Secretary-General to implement the action programme contained in his report designed to overcome the obstacles to the improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat, noting that his visible commitment is essential to the achievement of the targets set by the General Assembly;

1/ Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievement of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. I, sect. A.

2/ A/47/508.

2. Also urges the Secretary-General, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, to accord greater priority to the recruitment and promotion of women in posts subject to geographical distribution, particularly in senior policy-level and decision-making posts, in order to achieve the goals set in resolutions 45/125, 45/239 C and 46/100 of an overall participation rate of 35 per cent by 1995 and 25 per cent in posts at the D-1 level and above by 1995;

3. Further urges the Secretary-General to use the opportunity offered by the United Nations reorganization process and the establishment of the Commission on Sustainable Development to promote more women into senior level positions;

4. Urges the Secretary-General to increase the number of women employed in the Secretariat from developing countries and other countries that have a low representation of women;

5. Strongly encourages Member States to support the efforts of the United Nations and the specialized agencies to increase the percentage of women in Professional posts, especially at the D-1 level and above, by identifying and submitting more women candidates, encouraging women to apply for vacant posts and creating national rosters of women candidates to be shared with the Secretariat, specialized agencies and regional commissions;

6. Requests the Secretary-General, within existing resources, to ensure that adequate machinery, with the authority of enforcement and the responsibility of accountability, including a senior-level official devoted to the implementation of the action programme and the recommendations of the report on the obstacles to the improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat, is maintained and strengthened during the course of the 1991-1995 programme;

7. Also requests the Secretary-General to ensure that a progress report is given to the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-seventh session, and to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session.

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Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Barbados, Canada, Chile, China, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Indonesia, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden and Ukraine: draft resolution

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind that one of the purposes of the United Nations, as stated in Articles 1 and 55 of the Charter, is to promote universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction of any kind, including distinction as to sex,

Affirming that women and men should participate equally in social, economic and political development, should contribute equally to such development and should share equally in improved conditions of life,

Recalling its resolution 34/180 of 18 December 1979, by which it adopted the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women,

Recalling also its previous resolutions on the Convention, as well as Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/17 of 30 July 1992,

Taking note of the decisions taken on 4 February 1992 at the Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention, 1/

Aware of the important contribution that the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women 2/ can make to eliminating all forms of discrimination against women and achieving legal and de facto equality between women and men,

Noting the emphasis placed by the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, on the ratification of and accession to the Convention,

Having considered the reports of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its tenth 3/ and eleventh 4/ sessions,

Noting that the Committee agreed, in examining reports, to take due account of the different cultural and socio-economic systems of States parties to the Convention,

Noting also the importance of the monitoring function of the Committee, as demonstrated most recently in its general recommendation No. 19 on violence against women, adopted at its eleventh session, 5/

Concerned about the increased workload of the Committee,

Convinced of the need to adopt measures to enable the Committee to deal in a thorough and timely manner with reports submitted by States Parties,

Recalling that, in article 17, paragraph 9, of the Convention, the Secretary-General is required to provide the necessary staff and facilities for the effective performance of the functions of the Committee,

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1/ See CEDAW/SP/1992/4.

2/ Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. I, sect. A.

3/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/46/38).

4/ A/47/38.

5/ Ibid., sect. I.

Recalling also its resolutions 44/73 of 8 December 1989 and 45/124 of 14 December 1990, in which, inter alia, it strongly supported the view of the Committee that the Secretary-General should accord higher priority to strengthening support for the Committee,

Strongly supporting the Committee's general recommendation 19 on violence against women, and calling upon States parties to prepare their periodic reports in accordance with this and other general recommendations of the Committee,

Noting with satisfaction that the inter-sessional working group of the Commission on the Status of Women has completed its consideration of the draft declaration on the elimination of violence against women,

Welcoming other general recommendations contained in the reports of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its tenth and eleventh sessions,

1. Expresses its satisfaction with the increasing number of States that have ratified or acceded to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, and supports the recommendation of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women to draw attention to those reservations which are incompatible with the objective and purpose of the Convention;

2. Urges all States that have not yet ratified or acceded to the Convention to do so as soon as possible;

3. Emphasizes the importance of the strictest compliance by States Parties with their obligations under the Convention;

4. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, 6/ and requests him to submit annually to the General Assembly a report on the status of the Convention;

5. Also takes note of the reports of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its tenth 3/ and eleventh sessions; 4/

6. Invites States Parties to the Convention to make all possible efforts to submit their initial as well as their second and subsequent periodic reports on the implementation of the Convention, in accordance with article 18 thereof and the guidelines provided by the Committee, and to cooperate fully with the Committee in the presentation of their reports;

6/ A/47/368.

7. Welcomes the efforts made by the Committee to rationalize its procedures and expedite the consideration of periodic reports and to develop procedures and guidelines for the consideration of second and subsequent periodic reports, and strongly encourages the Committee to continue those efforts;

8. Welcomes also, in accordance with the Committee's general recommendation No. 11, 7/ the initiatives taken to provide regional training courses on the preparation and drafting of reports of States parties for government officials and training and information seminars for States considering acceding to the Convention, and urges the relevant organs and organizations of the United Nations to support such initiatives;

9. Recognizes the special relevance of the periodic reports of States parties to the Convention to the efforts of the Commission on the Status of Women to review and appraise the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women in those countries;

10. Requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to provide secretariat staff, including legal staff members expert in human rights treaty implementation, and technical resources for the effective performance of the functions of the Committee;

11. Strongly supports the view of the Committee that the Secretary-General should accord higher priority within existing resources to strengthening technical and substantive support for the Committee, in particular to assist in preparatory research;

12. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide, facilitate and encourage, within existing resources, the dissemination of information relating to the Committee, its decisions and recommendations, the Convention and the concept of legal literacy, taking into account the Committee's own recommendations to that end;

13. Supports the request of the Committee for additional meeting time and requests that the Committee's twelfth and thirteenth sessions should be of three weeks' duration;

14. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure adequate support to the Committee, and also requests that sufficient resources from within the existing regular budget be provided for that purpose to enable the Committee to deal in a thorough and timely manner with reports submitted by States Parties;

7/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/44/38), sect. V.

15. Decides that, at its forty-ninth session, it will review whether the backlog of the Committee in considering reports has been reduced;

16. Recommends that meetings of the Committee should be scheduled, whenever possible, to allow for the timely transmission of the results of its work to the Commission on the Status of Women, for information, in the same year;

17. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution and to transmit the report to the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-seventh session.

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Pakistan*: draft resolution

Implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling all its relevant resolutions, in particular resolution 44/77 of 8 December 1989, in which, inter alia, it endorsed and reaffirmed the importance of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women to the Year 2000 1/ and set out measures for their immediate implementation and for the overall achievement of the interrelated goals and objectives of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace,

Recalling also its resolution 46/98 of 16 December 1991,

Taking into consideration the resolutions adopted by the Economic and Social Council on issues relating to women since its resolution 1987/18 of 26 May 1987,

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77.

1/ Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. I, sect. A.

Reaffirming its determination to encourage the full participation of women in economic, social, cultural, civil and political affairs and to promote development, cooperation and international peace,

Conscious of the important and constructive contribution to the improvement of the status of women made by the Commission on the Status of Women, the specialized agencies, the regional commissions and other organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and non-governmental organizations concerned,

Concerned that the resources available to the programme on advancement of women of the United Nations Secretariat are insufficient to ensure adequate support to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and effective implementation of other aspects of the programme, especially the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women, to be held in 1995,

Welcoming the completion of work on the draft Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women by the inter-sessional working group of the Commission on the Status of Women,

Recognizing the advancement of women as one of the priorities of the Organization for the biennium 1992-1993,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General; 2/

2. Reaffirms paragraph 2 of section I of the recommendations and conclusions arising from the first Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies, contained in the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/15 of 24 May 1990, which called for an improved pace in the implementation of the Strategies in the crucial last decade of the twentieth century, since the cost to societies of failing to implement the Strategies would be high in terms of slowed economic and social development, inadequate use of human resources and reduced progress for society as a whole;

3. Urges Governments, international organizations and non-governmental organizations to implement the recommendations;

4. Calls again upon Member States to give priority to policies and programmes relating to the subtheme "Employment, health and education", in particular to literacy, for the self-reliance and the mobilization of indigenous resources, as well as to issues relating to the role of women in economic and political decision-making, population, the environment and information;

5. Reaffirms the central role of the Commission on the Status of Women in matters related to the advancement of women, and calls upon it to continue

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2/ A/47/377.

promoting the implementation of the Forward-looking Strategies to the Year 2000, based on the goals of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace and the subtheme "Employment, health and education", and urges all relevant bodies of the United Nations system to cooperate effectively with the Commission in this task;

6. Requests the Commission, when considering the priority theme relating to development during its thirty-seventh and subsequent sessions, to ensure its early contribution to the preparatory work of forthcoming major international conferences such as the World Conference on Human Rights, to be held in 1993, the International Conference on Population and Development, to be held in 1994, the World Conference on Women, to be held in 1995, and the proposed World Summit on Social Development to be held in 1995, and to address the impact of technologies on women;

7. Also requests the Commission to give special attention to women in developing countries, particularly in Africa and the least developed countries, who suffer disproportionately from the effects of the global economic crisis and the heavy external debt burden, and to recommend further measures for the equalization of opportunity and for integration of these women into the development process when considering the priority theme of development;

8. Endorses Economic and Social Council decision 1992/272 of 30 July 1992 concerning the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women which took note of Commission on the Status of Women resolution 36/8, and expresses its appreciation to the Government for its offer to act as host for the World Conference on Women to be held in Beijing from 4 to 15 September 1995;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to take into account section A, paragraph 6 of Commission resolution 36/8 when appointing the Secretary-General of the Conference;

10. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that appropriate staff from the secretariats of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the Commission on the Status of Women participate in the preparatory process for the World Conference on Human Rights, as well as in the Conference itself, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 40/108 of 13 December 1985;

11. Recommends the further development of methods of compilation and data collection in areas of concern identified by the Commission and urges Member States to improve and broaden collection of gender desegregated statistical information and make it available to the relevant bodies of the United Nations system with a view to preparing, in all official languages, as a background document for the Fourth World Conference on Women, an updated edition of The World's Women: Trends and Statistics;

12. Emphasizes, in the framework of the Forward-looking Strategies, the importance of the total integration of women in the development process, bearing in mind the specific and urgent needs of the developing countries, and calls upon Member States to establish specific targets at each level in order to increase the participation of women in professional, management and decision-making positions in their countries;

13. Emphasizes once again the need to give urgent attention to redressing socio-economic inequities at the national and international levels as a necessary step towards the full realization of the goals and objectives of the Forward-looking Strategies;

14. Urges the Commission to complete its work on the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women and to submit it for information to the World Conference on Human Rights;

15. Strongly urges that particular attention be given by the relevant United Nations organizations and Governments to the special needs of women with disabilities, to elderly women and also to women in vulnerable situations such as migrant and refugee women and children;

16. Endorses the recommendation contained in Commission resolution 36/8 that regional preparatory conferences include in their agenda the issue of women in public life, as well as the request that the Secretary-General include information on women in public life in the preparation of the priority theme on peace: "women in international decision-making", for the Commission, at its thirty-ninth session in 1995;

17. Welcomes the recommendations on women, environment and development in all programme areas, adopted at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, held at Rio de Janeiro from 3 to 14 June 1992, and in particular the adoption of chapter 24 of Agenda 21 "Global Action for Women Towards Sustainable and Equitable Development";

18. Urges organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations to ensure active participation of women in the planning and implementation of programmes for sustainable development, and requests Governments to consider nominating women as representatives to the Commission on Sustainable Development;

19. Requests the Secretary-General, in formulating the system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women for the period 1996-2001 and in integrating the Forward-looking Strategies into activities mandated by the General Assembly, to pay particular attention to specific sectoral themes that cut across the three objectives, equality, development and peace, and include, in particular, literacy, education, health, population, the impact of technology on the environment and its effect on women and the full participation of women in decision-making and to continue to assist Governments in strengthening their national machineries for the advancement of women;

20. Also requests the Secretary-General to continue updating the World Survey on the Role of Women in Development, 3/ bearing in mind its importance, placing particular emphasis on the adverse impact of the difficult economic situation affecting the majority of developing countries, particularly on the condition of women, giving special attention to worsening conditions for the incorporation of women into the labour force, as well as the impact of reduced expenditures for social services on women's opportunities for education, health and child care, and to submit a preliminary version of the updated World Survey on the Role of Women in Development to the Economic and Social Council, through the Commission, in 1993 and a final version in 1994;

21. Requests Governments, when presenting candidatures for vacancies in the Secretariat, in particular at the decision-making level, to give priority to women's candidatures, and requests the Secretary-General in reviewing these candidatures to give special consideration to female candidates from underrepresented and unrepresented developing countries;

22. Requests the Secretary-General to invite Governments, organizations of the United Nations system, including the regional commissions and the specialized agencies, and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to report periodically to the Economic and Social Council, through the Commission, on activities undertaken at all levels to implement the Forward-looking Strategies;

23. Also requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide for the existing weekly radio programmes on women in the regular budget of the United Nations, making adequate provisions for broadcasts in different languages, and to develop the focal point for issues relating to women in the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat, which, in concert with the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat, should provide a more effective public information programme relating to the advancement of women;

24. Further requests the Secretary-General to include in his report on the implementation of the Forward-looking Strategies, to be submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session, an assessment of recent developments that are relevant to the priority themes to be considered at the subsequent session of the Commission and to transmit to the Commission a summary of relevant views expressed by delegations during the debate in the Assembly;

25. Requests the Fifth Committee, in reviewing the programme on advancement of women contained in the proposed programme budget of the Secretary-General, 4/ to examine the proposals to ensure that established

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3/ United Nations publication Sales No. E.89.IV.2.

4/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/46/6/Rev.1), sect. 21, programme C.

staffing levels, temporary assistance and other objects of expenditure are sufficient to ensure adequate support to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and effective implementation of other aspects of the programme, especially the preparations for the Fourth World Conference on Women, and, if proposed resources are found insufficient, to determine the appropriate resource levels;

26. Recommends that the Commission on the Status of Women, as the preparatory body for the Fourth World Conference on Women, should consider at its next session the relevance of the resolutions drafted at the 1985 World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace to the Fourth World Conference on Women in order to avoid duplication of work, keeping in mind that those resolutions were neither adopted by the Conference nor considered by the General Assembly;

27. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on measures taken to implement the present resolution;

28. Also requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the state of preparation for the Fourth World Conference on Women under the item entitled "Advancement of Women";

29. Decides to consider Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women to the Year 2000 at its forty-eighth session under the item entitled "Advancement of Women".

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ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN

Chile, China, France, Indonesia, Nicaragua, Philippines, Russian Federation and Thailand: draft resolution

Violence against women migrant workers

The General Assembly,

Noting that the Charter of the United Nations affirms faith in human rights and fundamental freedoms, in the dignity and worth of the human person and in the equal rights of men and women,

Reaffirming the principles set forth in the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, adopted by the General Assembly resolution 34/180 of 18 December 1979,

Noting the large numbers of women from developing countries who venture forth to more affluent countries in search of a living for themselves and their families, while acknowledging the primary duty of States to work for conditions that provide employment to their citizens,

Recognizing that poverty, unemployment and other socio-economic situations in their home countries lead people, including women, to seek employment in other countries,

Recognizing also that it is the duty of sending countries to protect and promote the interests of their citizens who seek or receive employment in other countries; to provide them with appropriate training/education; to apprise them of their rights and obligations in the countries of employment,

Aware of the moral obligation of receiving or host countries to ensure the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all persons within their

boundaries, including migrant workers and, in particular women migrant workers, who are doubly vulnerable because of their gender and their being foreigners,

Noting with concern the mounting reports of grave abuses and acts of violence committed against the person of women migrant workers by their employers in some host countries,

Stressing that acts of violence directed against women impair or nullify the enjoyment by women of their human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Convinced of the need to eliminate all forms of discrimination against women and to protect them from gender-based violence,

1. Expresses grave concern over the plight of migrant women workers who become victims of physical, mental and sexual harassment and abuse;

2. Calls upon all countries, particularly the sending and receiving States, to cooperate with each other in taking appropriate steps to ensure that the rights of women migrant workers are protected;

3. Urges all States to adopt appropriate measures to provide support services to women victims of violence, and to provide resources for their physical and psychological rehabilitation;

4. Calls upon relevant specialized agencies of the United Nations, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to inform the Secretary-General of the extent of the problem and to recommend further measures to implement the purposes of the present resolution;

5. Considers the inclusion of the subject of violence against women migrant workers in the agenda of the World Conference on Women to be held in Beijing in 1995;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session, through the Commission on the Status of Women and the Economic and Social Council, on the implementation of the present resolution under the item entitled "Advancement of Women".

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HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS: HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS, INCLUDING ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES FOR IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVE ENJOYMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/47/L.20

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

A. Requests contained in the draft resolution

1. Under the terms of draft resolution A/C.3/47/L.20, the General Assembly, would:

(a) Take note of the report of the Secretary-General 1/ and the recommendations contained therein for the establishment of a United Nations observer mission to verify the referendum scheduled to take place in Eritrea in April 1993;

(b) Decide to authorize the Secretary-General to establish a United Nations Observer Mission, which will have terms of reference as provided for in paragraph 7 of the report, and to appoint, as a matter of urgency, a Special Representative for the referendum in Eritrea who will head the Observer Mission;

(c) Request the Secretary-General to arrange, as soon as possible, for the deployment of a United Nations Observer Mission in Eritrea in order to commence its verification functions;

(d) Call on the Referendum Commission of Eritrea and all concerned parties to extend their fullest cooperation to the United Nations Observer Mission in order to facilitate the accomplishment of its task;

(e) Further request the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

B. Relationship of requests to approved programme of work

2. The requests contained in paragraph 1 above are related to subprogramme 4, "Enhancing the effectiveness of the principle of periodic and genuine elections", of programme 4, Special political questions, trusteeship and decolonization, which are incorporated in the revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, recommended by the Committee for Programme and Coordination 2/ for adoption by the General Assembly at its current session. Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 46/137, and following the restructuring of the Secretariat, resources have been made available from the regular budget for an Electoral Assistance Unit in the Department of Political Affairs to carry out activities in support of the Secretary-General's functions in the area of holding and verification of elections as a mechanism to promote peacemaking. Related activities are not programmed in the programme budget since their very nature often precludes prior programming.

C. Activities by which the requests would be implemented

3. Should the General Assembly adopt draft resolution A/C.3/47/L.20, the Secretary-General would establish an Observer Mission to be known as the United Nations Observer Mission to Verify the Referendum in Eritrea (UNOVER), the terms of reference of which would be as follows:

(a) To verify the impartiality of the referendum authorities and organs, including the Referendum Commission, in all aspects and stages of the referendum process;

(b) To verify that there exists complete freedom of organization, movement, assembly and expression without hindrance or intimidation;

(c) To verify that there is equal access to media facilities and that there is fairness in the allocation of both the timing and length of broadcasts;

(d) To verify that the referendum rolls are properly drawn up and that qualified voters are not denied identification and registration cards or the right to vote;

(e) To report to the referendum authorities on complaints, irregularities and interferences reported or observed and, if necessary, to request the referendum authorities to take action to resolve and rectify such complaints, irregularities or interference;

(f) To observe all activities related to the registration of voters, the organization of the poll, the referendum campaign, the poll itself and the counting, computation and announcement of the results.

4. In implementing the mandate, the Observer Mission would gather factual information about the conduct of the referendum, particularly with respect to the recognition by the electorate that the ultimate judgement on the referendum process will be made by the electorate. UNOVER's role will be to take note of the decision of the electorate as they determine their fate in a referendum, to recognize the independent character of the Referendum Commission and establish a relationship with it on that basis and to make constructive contributions in ensuring the success of the referendum at every stage of the process.

5. Although it had been foreseen at the time of the preparation of the Secretary-General's report 1/ that UNOVER would start during the second week of September 1992, it is now estimated that the three main phases of the referendum process would be carried out as follows:

(a) The registration of voters starting mid-November 1992;

(b) The referendum campaign during the period mid-November 1992 to April 1993;

(c) The taking of the poll in April 1993.

The mission would then be wound up by May 1993.

6. The mission will be headed by a Special Representative at the Assistant Secretary-General level. Its headquarters will be located in Asmara with regional offices at Asmara, Keren and Mendefera, details of which are provided in document A/47/544. Further information is also provided in the annexes to the present statement.

7. The proposed staffing requirements of the mission comprise a core staff of 22 international staff members to cover the substantive and administrative functions of the mission. As can be noted from annex I to the present statement, these staff would be assigned to the mission in varying periods beginning mid-November 1992 to March 1993. It is estimated that, throughout the period of the mission, 10 of the core staff will form mobile observer teams of 2 persons each, who will make periodic visits to areas falling outside the jurisdiction of the regional offices area in order to provide full coverage. Although resources are requested for the 10 staff comprising the mobile observer teams, efforts will be made to have the posts filled by United Nations Volunteers.

8. As can be noted also from annex I, it is estimated that 123 locally recruited staff will be required - consisting of 3 Secretary/Interpreter (for regional offices), 4 Drivers (for mission headquarters and regional offices), 5 Drivers and 5 Interpreters (for observer teams) for approximately 6 months and 106 Drivers/Interpreters for approximately 2 weeks.

9. During the referendum period in April 1993, it is estimated that the mission personnel will be augmented by 100 election monitors to serve with the mission for approximately 5 to 10 days. It is proposed that 20 of the monitors be staff members from the Secretariat, 50 from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and other United Nations agencies in Eritrea and Ethiopia and neighbouring countries and 30 would be provided by Member States. Costs associated with these additional personnel relate to round-trip travel expenses and subsistence allowance for the duration of their stay with the mission. Provision would also be made for the engagement of a consultant for three weeks to provide expert advice on the counting aspects of the referendum.

10. In respect of other requirements associated with the mission, rental of premises to accommodate the mission's headquarters in Asmara and the three regional offices in Asmara, Keren and Mendefera is considered a requirement as no commitment has been made by the provisional government to provide office accommodation free of charge to the mission. The estimates would also provide for chartering a light aircraft once a month to transport the observer teams to remote areas of the country and for medical evacuations, should the need arise.

11. With regard to communications equipment, the requirements of the mission for the most part will be met by the loan of equipment from other missions or the United Nations Supply Depot at Pisa. Purchase of communications equipment will be limited to the purchase of 10 high-frequency (HF) transceivers. Other equipment requirements relate to the purchase of 9 four-wheel-drive vehicles, of which 4 will be utilized by the substantive/administrative staff and 5 by the observer teams, and electronic-data-processing equipment and other miscellaneous equipment such as camping gear, generators and water purification kits.

12. In respect of public information activities, it is estimated that an amount of $42,000 will be required for radio broadcasts on matters relating to the referendum and local printing of posters, flyers and other promotional materials. The provision includes requirements for the travel of a staff member of the Department of Public Information to Eritrea for two weeks to plan the information activities.

D. Modifications required in the programme of work for 1992-1993

13. As referred to in section B above, the activities called for are not programmed in the programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993. Consequently, no modification will be required.

E. Additional requirements for 1992-1993

14. Should the General Assembly adopt draft resolution A/C.3/47/L.20, it is estimated that requirements for the mission in 1992-1993, primarily in 1993, would amount to $2,807,000, of which $1,876,000 relates to personnel costs

such as salaries, fees, travel and related allowances, including a contingency provision for death and disability claims for any international observers not covered by the provisions of Appendix D to the United Nations Staff Rules. The balance, $931,000 would provide for operational costs such as rental of premises, rental and acquisition of vehicles, and equipment communications and rental of aircraft. These estimated requirements are summarized below:

	1992	1993	Total
	$	$	$
General temporary assistance (local staff)	11 000	62 000	73 000
Consultants	-	11 000	11 000
Salaries	115 000	503 000	618 000
Common staff costs (including travel to mission and subsistence)	147 000	698 000	845 000
Other official travel of staff	4 000	20 000	24 000
Travel and subsistence (non-United Nations staff)	-	150 000	150 000
Rental and maintenance of premises	15 000	66 000	81 000
Rental and maintenance of equipment	4 000	61 000	65 000
Communications	24 000	128 000	152 000
Compensation provision for death and disability claims	-	155 000	155 000
Public information activities	-	42 000	42 000
Miscellaneous services	6 000	9 000	15 000
Freight and related costs	15 000	15 000	30 000
Miscellaneous supplies	19 000	21 000	40 000
Acquisition of vehicles	-	180 000	180 000
Communications equipment	-	105 000	105 000
Miscellaneous equipment	126 000	75 000	201 000
Rental of aircraft	-	20 000	20 000
Net total	486 000	2 321 000	2 807 000

15. As can be noted from the above summary the estimated requirements of $2,807,000, are lower than the original estimate of $2,988,000 (rounded) contained in the Secretary-General's report, 1/ owing to the net effect of a later starting date for the mission and revisions and corrections of the provisional costings, shown in the Secretary-General's report. Details of the above estimated requirements are shown in annex II to the present statement.

F. Potential for absorption

16. The programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 includes no provision for the activities outlined above, and it is not anticipated that the related estimates of $2,807,000 can be absorbed within the approved appropriations.

17. The financing of these activities will, therefore, require additional resources, either through an additional appropriation under the regular budget or through voluntary contributions. In this connection, the Secretary-General is making an appeal to Member States for voluntary contributions to fund UNOVER through the United Nations Trust Fund for Electoral Observation, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 46/137 on enhancing the effectiveness of the principle of periodic and genuine elections. If adequate contributions are received, there would be no need to resort to funding through the regular budget.

G. Summary

18. Before the General Assembly acts on draft resolution A/C.3/47/L.20, it is the intention of the Secretary-General to inform the Assembly whether sufficient voluntary contributions have been received to fund the mission. If that is not the case, it will be necessary to request an additional appropriation of up to $2,807,000 under the programme budget for 1992-1993. In addition, an amount of $220,000 would be required under section 36 (Staff assessment), offset by the same amount under income section 1 (Income from staff assessment).

Notes

1/ A/47/544.

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 16 (Part II) (A/47/16).

Annex I

PROPOSED STAFFING TABLE FOR THE UNITED NATIONS OBSERVER MISSION TO VERIFY THE REFERENDUM IN ERITREA (UNOVER)

Number of Posts	Level of Post	Description	Period of deployment
1. Core Staff			
1	ASG	Head of Mission	mid-Nov 92/end Apr 93
1	P-5	Chief Electoral Officer and Deputy to ASG	mid-Nov 92/end May 93
1	P-5	Chief of Administration	mid-Nov 92/end May 93
1	P-4	Finance/Personnel and Logistics Officer	mid-Nov 92/end May 93
1	P-4	Political Affairs/Legal Officer	Dec 92/end May 93
3	P-3/4	Regional Coordinator	Dec 92/end Apr 93
1	P-3	Assistant Political Affairs Officer	Mar/end Apr 93
10 a/	P-2/3	Political/Electoral Observer	Dec 92/end Apr 93
2	FSO	Field Service Assistant - Radio Operator/Technician	Dec 92/end May 93
1	GSO	Confidential Secretary	mid-Nov 92/end May 93
22	Total core posts		
2. General Temporary Assistance Staff (local level)			
3		Secretary/Interpreter - (regional offices)	approximately 6 months
4		Drivers - (mission headquarters/regions)	approximately 6 months
10		Driver/Interpreter - (10-man observer team)	approximately 6 months
106		Driver/Interpreter - (election monitors)	approximately 2 weeks
123	Total staff under General Temporary Assistance		
3. Election Monitors			
20		Staff to be provided from the Secretariat (New York, Geneva, and Regional Offices)	approximately 5 to maximum 10 days
30		Monitors to be provided by Governments	approximately 5 to maximum 10 days
50		Monitors to be provided from UNDP and other United Nations agencies in the area	approximately 5 to maximum 10 days
100	Total Election Monitors		

a/ Efforts will be made to fill these 10 posts by the United Nations Volunteers.

Annex II

PROPOSED ESTIMATES FOR THE UNITED NATIONS OBSERVER MISSION TO VERIFY THE REFERENDUM IN ERITREA (UNOVER)

	1992 $	1993 $
A. PERSONNEL COSTS		
1. United Nations staff members		
Provision is made for salaries, common staff costs and travel in respect of the proposed 22 core posts for the mission and travel and subsistence allowance for 70 election monitors (20 provided from the Secretariat (New York, Geneva and regional offices and 50 from UNDP and other United Nations agencies in the area)) to be deployed for approximately 5 to a maximum of 10 days during the voting period (see Annex I)		
(a) Salaries - international staff	115 000	503 000
(b) Common staff costs	49 000	220 000
(c) Travel and subsistence	102 000	498 000
2. Local staff		
123 local staff to be engaged under general temporary assistance (see Annex I)	11 000	62 000
3. Government-provided election monitors		
Travel and subsistence (for 30 monitors) (see Annex I)	-	150 000
4. Consultant		
Requirement for a consultant to assist the mission with counting aspects of the referendum	-	11 000
5. Compensation provision for death and disability claims		
A contingency provision to meet potential compensation claims arising in respect of any international observer not covered by Appendix D of the Staff Rules	-	155 000
Total A, personnel costs	277 000	1 599 000

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	1992 $	1993 $
B. OPERATIONAL COSTS		
1. Premises		
(a) Rental and maintenance of premises - rental for a suitable headquarters building in Asmara is estimated at $6,000 monthly for about 6 months ($36,000), additional rentals are required for the 3 regional offices at Keren, Mendefera and Asmara. The regional office at Asmara may be co-located with the mission headquarters, rent for each location is estimated at $1,200 per month for six months ($21,600), provision is made for five months at $1,200 per month for storage facilities and secure parking which may be required in Asmara ($6,000)	13 000	51 000
(b) Cost of utilities, maintenance of premises plus minor repairs to plumbing and electrical installations at the rented premises	2 000	15 000
Subtotal B.1 - Premises	15 000	66 000
2. Vehicle Operations		
(a) Acquisition of 9 four-wheel drive vehicles	-	180 000
(b) Rental of vehicles - Provision is made for the rental of two vehicles in 1992 and 53 vehicles for 5 days during the period of the referendum	4 000	36 000
(c) Maintenance of vehicle	-	25 000
Subtotal - B.2 - Vehicle Operations	4 000	241 000
3. Air Support		
Charter of a light aircraft once a month during 1992 for observer teams to visit remote areas of the country and to cover medical evacuations if the need arise	-	20 000
Subtotal - B.3 - Air Support	-	20 000

	1992 $	1993 $
4. Communications equipment and supplies		
(a) Communications equipment - Purchase of 10 high-frequency (HF) transceivers	-	105 000
(b) Communications supplies and services	-	8 000
(c) Commercial communications - user charges for the satellite communications terminal is estimated at $20,000 per month and other commercial communications costs, telephone and telex charges, postage and pouch services at $4,000 monthly	24 000	120 000
Subtotal - B.4 - Communications	24 000	233 000
5. Miscellaneous Equipment		
(a) EDP/word-processing equipment	42 000	-
(b) Office equipment	12 000	-
(c) Generators	6 000	-
(d) Office furniture	22 000	-
(e) Water purification kits	22 000	-
(f) Standard camping gear	12 000	60 000
(g) Other miscellaneous equipment	10 000	15 000
Subtotal - B.5 - Miscellaneous Equipment	126 000	75 000
6. Miscellaneous Supplies and Services		
Stationery and office supplies, medical supplies, maps, etc.	19 000	21 000
Medical services and examinations, bank charges, casual labour, etc.	6 000	9 000
Subtotal - B.6 - Supplies and Services	25 000	30 000
7. Freight and cartage	15 000	15 000

	1992 $	1993 $
8. Public information activities		
Radio broadcast on matters relating to the referendum, local printing of posters, flyers, and other promotional materials and travel of DPI staff to Eritrea	-	42 000
Total B, operational costs	209 000	722 000
Grand Total	486 000	2 321 000